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For: NEW PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION AND THE PROCESS FOR ITS PREPARATION

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2002, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-25 without prejudice. Please add new claims 26-48.

26. (new) A process for the preparation of a composition comprising (-) 3-[4-[2-phenoxazin-10-yl]ethoxy]phenyl]-2-ethoxypropanoic acid or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and optionally a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, comprising the step of forming a mixture of (-) 3-[4-[2-phenoxazin-10-yl]ethoxy]phenyl]-2-ethoxypropanoic acid or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and one or more pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and compressing the mixture with excipients of a water content below about 1%.

27. (new) The process of claim 26, characterized in that the steps are carried out at water vapour pressure below about 40% and oxygen pressure below about 10%.